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WILLIAM T FUJIOKA  
Chief Executive Officer

December 18, 2007

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
500 West Temple Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH: APPROVAL OF TWO HIV/AIDS COMMUNITY  
DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE AMENDMENTS  
(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS)  
(3 VOTES)**

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:**

1. Approve and instruct the Director of the Department of Public Health (DPH), or his designee, to sign two amendments substantially similar to Exhibit I, with AltaMed Health Services Corporation (AltaMed) and Palms Residential Care Facility (Palms) to develop community consortia participation in response to the AIDS epidemic in the Latino and African-American communities, effective January 1, 2008 through June 30, 2008, for a total maximum obligation of \$200,000, which consists of \$100,000 for each provider, 100 percent offset by federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) funds, subject to review and approval by County Counsel and notification of the Board offices.
2. Delegate authority to the Director of DPH, or his designee, to terminate the agreements at will based on the termination clauses as stipulated in the contract provisions, subject to review and approval by County Counsel and notification of the Board offices.
3. Delegate authority to the Director of DPH, or his designee, to execute any amendments to AltaMed and Palms contracts, effective January 1, 2008 through June 30, 2008, to rollover unspent funds and/or increase or decrease the base award up to 15 percent, subject to review and approval by County Counsel and Chief Executive Office and notification to the Board offices.

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### **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

Approval of the amendments with AltaMed and Palms will enable these agencies to continue working through a consortium to address the healthcare and social needs of those living with and at risk for HIV/AIDS in the African-American and Latino communities. These contracts are being extended for a short term while this program, known as the Community Development Initiative (CDI) is being restructured and a new Request for Proposals (RFP) is in development. However, because of ongoing challenges with these contracts it is important that DPH be able to terminate the agreements as stipulated by the contract, if the agencies do not meet key scope of work benchmarks.

In Los Angeles County the HIV/AIDS epidemic disproportionately impacts communities of color. African-Americans consistently have the highest AIDS case rate whereas Latinos represent the largest absolute number of new AIDS cases. Local HIV seroprevalence studies show higher rates of HIV/AIDS for African-Americans than for any other group when considering both gender and risk category and higher absolute numbers of Latinos with HIV/AIDS than any other group. Studies also suggest that African-Americans and Latinos obtain HIV testing and receive AIDS diagnoses later in the course of disease on average than do Whites, Asian-Americans, and Pacific Islanders.

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

The total maximum County obligation is \$200,000, which consists of \$100,000 for AltaMed and \$100,000 for Palms, 100 percent offset by CDC funds. Funding for these services is included in the Fiscal Year 2007-08 Final Adopted Budget.

### **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

On November 25, 2003, your Board approved two CDI service agreements to enhance the effective delivery of and access to HIV/AIDS services along a care, treatment, and prevention continuum.

On November 21, 2006, the agreements were extended, effective December 1, 2006 through December 31, 2007.

On October 30, 2007, DPH notified your Board on a plan for spending the \$500,000 allocated for outreach and the CDI, ensuring an HIV outreach component for African-American and Latino communities, justification for a new RFP, and DPH's intent to extend the existing AltaMed and Palms agreements while a new solicitation process is developed.

AltaMed and Palms will continue as the lead agencies for the community development consortium for Latino and African-American communities. Both agencies are charged with working collaboratively to break through barriers that traditionally inhibit African-Americans

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and Latinos from uniting to form a collective voice and confronting cultural and community norms.

Under a revised scope of work the consortia will be tasked with enlisting both new and existing leadership, key opinion leaders and consumers in the African-American and Latino communities from all regions of Los Angeles County to assess and address the current and future health threat HIV disease poses to their communities and to appropriately mobilize these communities to improve and broaden their response to the epidemic. The consortia will no longer address issues of political advocacy as part of their contracts. Political advocacy will not be part of the six month extension and will be removed from the contractors' scope of work.

Exhibit I has been approved as to form my County Counsel.

Attachment A provides additional information.

**IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

Approval of these two amendments will raise community-level awareness of HIV, promote the availability of HIV counseling and testing, and encourage individuals at risk for HIV infection to seek counseling, testing, prevention, and education services.

**CONCLUSION**

The Department of Public Health requires four signed copies of your Board's action. It is requested that the Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors, notify the Department of Public Health, Contracts and Grants Division, at (213) 240-8179 when this document is available.

Respectfully submitted,



WILLIAM T FUJIOKA  
Chief Executive Officer

WTF:SRH  
SAS:RM:bjs

Attachments (2)

c: County Counsel  
Director and Health Officer, Department of Public Health

SUMMARY OF AGREEMENT

1. TYPE OF SERVICE:

HIV/AIDS Community Development Initiative amendments with AltaMed Health Services Corporation and Palms Residential Care Facility will allow the facilities to continue working through a consortium to address the healthcare and social needs of those living with and at risk for HIV/AIDS in the Latino and African-American communities.

2. AGENCY ADDRESS AND CONTACT PERSON:

AltaMed Health Services Corporation  
500 Citadel Drive, Suite 490  
Los Angeles, California 90040  
Attention: Castulo de la Rocha, President/CEO  
Telephone: (323) 725-8751  
Fax: (323) 889-7399

Palms Residential Care Facility  
8480 South Figueroa Street,  
Los Angeles, California 90003  
Attention: Kevin Pickett, President and Chief Executive Officer  
Telephone: (323) 751-3330  
Fax: (323) 751-2476

3. TERM:

The term of the agreements is effective January 1, 2008 through June 30, 2008.

4. FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

The total maximum County obligation of \$200,000 (see Attachment B for budget details) is 100 percent offset by CDC funds. Funding for these services is included in the Fiscal Year 2007-08 Final Adopted Budget.

5. GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:

Countywide

6. ACCOUNTABLE FOR MONITORING AND EVALUATION:

Mario J. Perez, Director of Office of AIDS Programs and Policy

7. APPROVALS:

Public Health: John F. Schunhoff, Ph.D., Chief Deputy Director

Contracts and Grants: Gary T. Izumi, Chief

County Counsel (approved as to form): Andrea Ross, Senior Associate, County Counsel

EXHIBIT I

Contract No. H-300564-2

**HUMAN IMMUNODEFICIENCY VIRUS (HIV)  
ACQUIRED IMMUNE DEFICIENCY SYNDROME (AIDS)  
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE SERVICES AGREEMENT**

Amendment No. 2

THIS AMENDMENT is made and entered into this \_\_\_\_\_ day  
of \_\_\_\_\_, 2007,

by and between

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES (hereafter

and

PALMS RESIDENTIAL CARE FACILITY  
(hereafter "Contractor").

WHEREAS, reference is made to that certain document entitled "HUMAN  
IMMUNODEFICIENCY VIRUS (HIV) ACQUIRED IMMUNE DEFICIENCY SYNDROME  
(AIDS) COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE SERVICES AGREEMENT", dated  
November 25, 2003, and further identified as Agreement No. H-300564, and any  
Amendments thereto (all hereafter "Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the parties hereto to extend Agreement and provide  
other changes set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, said Agreement provides that changes may be made in the form of a  
written Amendment which is formally approved and executed by the parties.

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties agree as follows:

1. This Amendment shall be effective on January 1, 2008.

2. The first paragraph of Paragraph 1, TERM, shall be amended to read as follows:

"1. TERM: The term of this Agreement shall commence on January 1, 2008 and continue in full force and effect through June 30, 2008, subject to the availability of federal, State, or County funding sources. In any event, County may terminate this Agreement in accordance with the TERMINATION Paragraphs of the ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS hereunder."

3. Paragraph 2, DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES, shall be amended to read as follows:

"2. DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES: Contractor shall provide the services described in Exhibits C and C-1, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference."

4. Paragraph 3, MAXIMUM OBLIGATION OF COUNTY, Subparagraph F, shall be added to Agreement as follows:

"F. During the period of January 1, 2008 through June 30, 2008, the maximum obligation of County for all services provided hereunder shall not exceed One hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000). Such maximum obligation is comprised entirely of Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) funds. This sum represents the total maximum

obligation of County as shown in Schedule 6, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference."

5. Paragraph 7, COMPENSATION, shall be amended to read as follows:

"7. COMPENSATION: County agrees to compensate Contractor for performing services set forth in Schedule 6, and the COST REIMBURSEMENT paragraph of this Agreement. Invoices and cost reports must be submitted and will be reimbursed in accordance with approved line-item detailed budgets."

6. Paragraph 6, CONFLICT OF TERMS, shall be amended to read as follows:

"6. CONFLICT OF TERMS: To the extent there exists any conflict or inconsistency between the language of this Agreement including its ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS and that of any of the Exhibits, Attachments, and Schedules attached hereto and any documents incorporated herein by reference, the language in this Agreement shall govern and prevail."

7. Exhibits C and C-1, SCOPE OF WORK FOR HIV/AIDS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE SERVICES, are attached to this Amendment and incorporated in Agreement by reference.

8. Schedule 6, BUDGET FOR HIV/AIDS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE SERVICES, is attached to this Amendment and incorporated in Agreement by reference.

9. Except for the changes set forth hereinabove, Agreement shall not be changed in any respect by this Amendment.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles has caused this Amendment to be subscribed by its Director of Public Health, and Contractor has caused this Amendment to be subscribed in its behalf by its duly authorized officer, the day, month, and year first above written.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Jonathan E. Fielding, M.D. MPH  
Director and Health Officer

PALMS RESIDENTIAL CARE FACILITY  
Contractor

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

Title \_\_\_\_\_  
(AFFIX CORPORATE SEAL)

APPROVED AS TO FORM  
BY THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL  
RAYMOND G. FORTNER  
County Counsel

APPROVED AS TO CONTRACT  
ADMINISTRATION:

Department of Public Health

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Gary Izumi, Chief  
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